(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the report points out that the impact of a neglected agriculture sector have a long term impact and the yield of wheat and rice growth rates have shown little progress; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to enhance the production of foodgrains and pulses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) to (c) The Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) held a summit on Green Revolution II with focus on knowledge Agriculture at New Delhi from 22-24 November, 2006. The overall objective of the summit was to evolve a strategy for propelling Indian Agriculture on a high growth trajectory. The summit noted the rapid progress being achieved in the field of Agriculture in India. The unanimous view at the summit was that to be a global leader in agriculture, India must promote opportunities for technology development, knowledge creation and market access amongst all the players in the Agriculture sector.

There has been record production of food grains of 230.67 million tones during 2007-08 (4th Advance Estimates). All time high record of production of Wheat 78.40 millions tones and rice 96.43 millions tones has been achieved during 2007-08 (4th Advance Estimates).

(d) Indian Council of Agricultural Research / Department of Agricultural Research and Education has undertaken research for developing a number a number of varieties and hybrid in food crops along with production and protection technologies. The Government of India has also launched National Food Security Mission for enhancing the production and productivity of rice, wheat and pulses.

Supply of fertilizers in Andhra Pradesh

26. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether farmers are getting fertilizers in time in each State especially in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Urea is the only fertilizer which is under partial movement and distribution control of the Government. Union Government ensures availability of urea at State level. State Governments are responsible for its distribution within the State. All other fertilizers *viz.* DAP, MOP, SSP and NPK etc. are decontrolled/ de-canalized since 1992. The availability of Phosphatic and Potassic fertilizers is decided by the market forces of demand and supply. The gap between requirement and indigenous production is met through imports. The availability and sales of Urea, DAP and MOP in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years has been as under:

(LMT)

Product	2005-06		2006-07		2007-08	
	Availability	Sales	Availability	Sales	Availability	Sales
Urea	23.53	22.18	24.52	22.13	26.84	25.12
DAP	6.12	5.96	6.15	5.94	7.16	7.15
MOP	4.61	4.13	3.90	3.72	4.52	4.50

State-wise availability and sales of Urea, DAP and MOP during last three years is also given in the statement.

Statement

State-wise requirement, availability and sale of Urea, DAP and MOP during the three years

2005-06

Product	Urea			DAP			MOP (LMTs)		
Name of State	Require-ment	Availa-bility	Sales	Require-ment	Availa-bility	Sales	Require-ment	Availa-bility	Sales
Andhra Pradesh	23.50	23.53	22.18	7.05	6.12	5.96	3.86	4.61	4.13
Karnataka	9.55	11.03	10.67	4.60	5.00	4.57	2.85	3.79	3.36
Kerala	1.55	1.26	1.18	0.20	0.17	0.16	1.30	1.29	1.19
Tamil Nadu	9.50	9.06	8.78	3.50	3.87	3.64	4.50	3.76	3.67
Gujarat	12.50	13.81	13.26	5.20	6.65	5.41	1.30	1.89	1.55
Madhya Pradesh	11.55	10.97	10.20	5.95	5.76	4.66	0.50	0.91	0.57
Chhattisgarh	4.70	4.67	4.45	1.16	1.38	1.27	0.49	0.79	0.49
Maharashtra	16.75	18.19	17.21	5.85	5.84	5.13	2.45	2.92	2.47
Rajasthan	12.30	12.35	11.59	4.90	5.41	4.14	0.20	0.32	0.17
Haryana	16.00	18.00	16.44	5.60	6.64	5.10	0.30	0.55	0.36
Punjab	24.70	24.55	23.72	7.65	9.54	7.32	0.65	1.25	0.85
Uttar Pradesh	52.00	50.36	45.95	15.50	15.89	12.34	2.60	3.01	1.66
Uttaranchal	1.77	2.01	1.75	0.27	0.31	0.23	0.11	0.07	0.05
Jammu & Kashmir	1.20	1.30	1.11	0.70	0.65	0.56	0.17	0.09	0.07
Bihar	14.30	14.24	7.32	3.00	2.12	1.78	1.40	1.64.	1.23
Jharkhand	1.75	1.56	1.51	1.16	0.73	0.68	0.26	0.05	0.05
Orissa	4.75	4.31	1.09	0.90	0.92	0.81	1.00	1.16	0.96
West Bengal	11.90	10.97	10.41	4.10	3.53	3.43	3.90	3.06	2.52
Assam	1.95	1.95	1.76	0.43	0.27	0.20	0.75	0.75	0.53
ALL INDIA	234.25	235.65	221.91	78.02	79.76	67.51	28.89	32.11	28.01

2006-07 Qty. in (LMTs)

Product	Urea			DAP			MOP		
Name of State	Req. 1st April, 06 to 31st March, 2007	Availa-bility	Sales	Req. 1st April, 06 to 31st March, 2007	Availa-bility	Sales	Req. 1st April, 06 to 31st March, 2007	Availa-bility	Sales
Andhra Pradesh	27.00	24.52	22.13	6.69	6.15	5.97	5.21	3.90	3.72
Karnataka	11.20	11.55	10.92	5.00	5.25	4.88	3.90	3.14	2.76
Kerala	1.46	1.33	1.27	0.17	0.23	0.23	1.40	1.13	1.12
Tamil Nadu	10.00	9.59	9.18	3.85	3.98	3.84	4.85	3.48	3.48
Gujarat	15.00	15.22	15.03	5.75	5.79	4.56	1.65	1.46	1.42
Madhya Pradesh	12.10	13.89	13.16	6.20	5.76	4.96	0.50	0.75	0.67
Chhattisgarh	4.90	5.93	5.53	1.38	1.59	1.27	0.52	0.67	0.59
Maharashtra	19.00	20.70	19.87	6.25	7.06	6.49	3.00	2.48	2.34
Rajasthan	13.20	12.80	12.26	5.60	4.30	4.05	0.22	0.07	0.07
Haryana	17.50	18.04	17.33	5.60	5.04	4.46	0.40	0.32	0.23
Punjab	25.00	26.16	25.74	7.90	7.60	7.12	0.90	0.52	0.47
Jammu & Kashmir	1.42	1.15	1.05	0.71	0.55	0.51	0.21	0.10	0.10
Uttar Pradesh	50.00	53.50	51.83	14.50	14.42	12.94	2.30	1.34	1.22
Uttaranchal	1.65	2.17	2.10	0.32	0.24	0.23	0.12	0.06	0.04
Bihar	17.50	16.32	16.01	4.50	3.29	2.65	2.50	1.04	1.00
Jharkhand	1.74	1.63	1.60	1.10	0.71	0.68	0.07	0.01	0.01
Orissa	4.70	4.44	4.21	0.98	1.16	1.03	0.92	0.85	0.75
West Bengal	12.00	12.28	11.94	4.10	3.99	3.54	3.58	2.78	2.51
Assam & Other N.E	3.08	2.67	2.47	0.51	0.27	0.24	0.82	0.59	0.54
Other Total	1.10	0.90	0.90	0.20	0.17	0.12	0.20	0.13	0.13
All India	249.55	254.79	244.52	81.31	77.57	69.75	33.27	24.82	23.171

2007-08 Product	Urea			DAP/MAP			MOP (LMTs)		
Name of State	Require-ment	Availa-bility	Sales	Require-ment	Availa-bility	Sales	Require-ment	Availa-bility	Sales
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Andhra Pradesh	27.50	26.84	25.12	8.24	7.16	7.15	5.55	4.52	4.50
Karnataka	12.80	13.63	12.54	5.80	4.54	4.50	4.00	3.70	3.58
Kerala	1.40	1.44	1.34	0.28	0.18	0.18	1.40	1.19	1.16
Tamil Nadu	9.85	9.68	9.16	4.25	3.35	3.35	4.90	4.85	4.77

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Gujarat	17.25	18.37	17.93	5.80	6.76	6.47	1.70	1.82	1.79
Madhya Pradesh	13.75	14.76	14.31	7.50	6.82*	6.34	1.10	0.76	0.74
Chhattisgarh	5.90	6.17	5.87	1.70	1.38	1.35	0.74	0.69	0.62
Maharashtra	21.20	23.05	21.39	7.05	6.45	6.29	3.05	3.46	3.23
Rajasthan	14.70	13.83	13.21	6.05	5.51*	4.50	0.23	0.23	0.19
Haryana	18.75	19.30	18.47	5.85	6.80*	5.36	0.50	0.34	0.29
Punjab	25.00	26.97	26.46	8.00	9.14*	6.81	0.95	0.58	0.57
Uttar Pradesh	55.00	54.37	52.72	15.50	14.89*	13.20	3.00	1.27	1.14
Uttaranchal	2.30	2.42	2.31	0.32	0.23	0.23	0.18	0.05	0.05
Jammu and Kashmir	1.40	1.19	1.15	0.84	0.33	0.33	0.28	0.07	0.07
Bihar	20.00	19.40	18.56	4.25	3.30	3.07	2.05	1.19	1.07
Jharkhand	2.10	1.67	1.58	0.90	0.75	0.74	0.13	0.08	0.08
Orissa	5.50	5.19	4.58	1.25	1.79	1.72	1.20	1.05	1.01
West Bengal	12.95	12.45	11.56	4.55	3.80	3.78	4.00	2.76	2.73
Assam	2.30	1.99	1.93	0.70	0.08	0.08	0.85	0.04	0.40
All India	271.70	274.26	261.71	89.21	83.40	75.55	36.13	29.28	28.28

* Includes the stock available with State Federations MP-0.35 LMT, Rajasthan - 0.77 LMT, Haryana - 1.15 LMT, Punjab - 1.96 LMT & UP - 1 .21 LMT aggregating 5.44 LMT (Sales of which is not available).

Suspension of fertilizer production

27. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production of fertilizers has remained suspended in a number of fertilizer companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has taken/proposed to be taken measures to resume production of fertilizers in those companies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) to (d) Production of some of the fertilizer companies *viz.* Rashtriya Chemicals Fertilizers Ltd. (RCF) Trombay-V, Southern Petrochemicals Industries Ltd. (SPIC) Tuticorin, Duncans Industries Ltd. (DIL) Kanpur and Tuticorin Alkali Chemicals and Fertilizer Ltd. (TAC) have remained suspended. There is no production of Ammonium Nitro Phosphate (ANP) 20:20:0 and Urea at RCF-Trombay-V unit due to an explosion at the Prilling Tower top and shortage of Associated Gas. Production of TAC was suspended mainly due to non availability of Carban-di-Oxide from their parent company (SPIC). The production of SPIC-Tuticorin/ DIL-Kanpur was suspended due to working capital constraints.